

**PART 617—NONDISCRIMINATION  
ON THE BASIS OF AGE IN PRO-  
GRAMS OR ACTIVITIES RECEIV-  
ING FEDERAL FINANCIAL ASSIST-  
ANCE FROM NSF**

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**APPENDIX I TO PART 617—LIST OF AGE DIS-  
TINCTIONS PROVIDED IN FEDERAL STAT-  
UTES OR REGULATIONS AFFECTING FED-  
ERAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE ADMINIS-  
TERED BY NSF**

**AUTHORITY:** Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended, 42 U.S.C. 6101, *et seq.*; 45 CFR part 90.

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**§ 617.1 Purpose.**

This part prescribes NSF's policies and procedures under the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 and the Department of Health and Human Services government-wide age discrimination regulations at 45 CFR part 90. The Act and part 90 prohibit discrimination on the basis of age in programs or activities receiving Federal financial assistance. The Act and part 90 permit federally assisted programs or activities and recipients of Federal funds to continue to use age distinctions and factors other than age which meet the requirements of the Act and part 90.

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**§ 617.2 Definitions.**

The following terms used in this part are defined in part 90:

Act

Action

Age

Age distinction

Age-related term

Agency

Federal financial assistance

Program or activity

Recipient (including subrecipients)

United States

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**§ 617.3 Standards.**

Standards for determining whether an age distinction or age-related term is prohibited are set out in part 90 of this title 45. See also appendix I to this part.

**§ 617.4 General duties of recipients.**

Each recipient of Federal financial assistance from NSF shall comply with the Act, part 90, and this part. Each NSF award of Federal financial assistance shall contain the following provision:

**COMPLIANCE WITH AGE DISCRIMINATION ACT**

The recipient agrees to comply with the Age Discrimination Act of 1975 as implemented by the Department of Health and Human Services regulations at 45 CFR part 90 and the regulations of the Foundation at 45 CFR part 617. In the event the recipient passes on NSF financial assistance to subrecipients, this provision shall apply to the subrecipients, and the instrument under which the Federal financial assistance is passed to the subrecipient shall contain a provision identical to this provision.

**§ 617.5 Self-evaluation.**

(a) Each recipient (including subrecipients) employing the equivalent of fifteen or more full-time employees shall complete a written self-evaluation of its compliance under this part within 18 months of the effective date of these regulations, unless a similar evaluation has been completed for another agency.

(b) In its self-evaluation, each recipient shall identify all age distinctions it uses and justify each age distinction it imposes on the program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance from NSF.

(c) Each recipient shall take corrective action whenever a self-evaluation indicates a violation of the Act.